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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A request for a one-month extension of time accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 6.

Remarks begin on page 10.